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Members of the University of Montana ski team will continue their preparations for the national meet coming up later this month by entering an international points meet at Big Mountain in Whitefish this weekend.

UM coach Rusty Lyons will take most of the members of his alpine team, although they will compete as individuals, not as a team. The Big Mountain meet, featuring slalom and giant slalom, is Saturday and Sunday.

Lyons' cross country skiers and jumpers are staying in shape for the NCAA championships March 16, 17 and 18 in Winter Park, Colo., by working out in Missoula.

The Grizzlies, recent winners of the Big Sky championship for the third year in a row, finished second in the NCAA meet last year behind Denver University.

Next weekend, March 12 and 13, is the U.S. Nationals meet in Bend, Ore., and UM skiers Larry Kite and Dave Hanson will enter the slalom and giant slalom there. Bend, Ore., is the home town of Kite, Montana's leading threat to win a national championship.

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